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| Title of Application | Method For Labelling Sample Containers |

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Response to First Office Action

In response to the outstanding First Office Action dated January 30, 2002, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1, 3, and 4.

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made:

Please replace claim 2 with the following amended claim 2:

2. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim [1] 10, characterized in that the temperature interval is between 300°C and 600°C.

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